

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

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Examiner:

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For:

TAT-DERIVED OLIGOUREA

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AND ITS METHOD OF

PRODUCTION AND USE IN HIGH-AFFINITYAND SPECIFIC BINDING OF HIV-1 TAR RNA

Confirmation No.: 4387

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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), an extension of time of one month is hereby requested to file an Amendment and Response. An Office Action was mailed November 17, 2004.

A one-month extension is respectfully requested, making the due date March 17, 2005. The requisite fee in the amount of \$120.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17 is enclosed by check.

If any additional fees are due or any overpayment has been made, please charge our Deposit Account No. 08-2461 or credit our Deposit Account for such sum.

Respectfully submitted,

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